

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A device for corrected acquisition of the shadow of an ophthalmic lens (103) possessing one or more marks (PC), the device comprising:

· receiver means (121, 114) for receiving said ophthalmic lens;

· on either side of said receiver means, firstly lighting means (S) for illuminating the ophthalmic lens (103) installed on said receiver means, and secondly acquisition means (122, 125, C) for acquiring the shadow of said ophthalmic lens illuminated by the lighting means (S);

· measurement means (S, 124, C) suitable for measuring the optical deflection power exerted by the ophthalmic lens installed on said receiver means on at least one light ray of said lighting means (S) and for delivering a signal representative of said deflection power; and

· an electronic and computer system including geometrical correction calculation instructions for deducing from said measured deflection power a corrected shape for at least a portion of the shadow of the ophthalmic lens as perceived by the acquisition means (122, 125, C).

2. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, in which said corrected shape corresponds substantially to the shape that the shadow of said lens would present if said lens did not possess any deflection power.

3. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, in which the measurement means (S, 124, C) are suitable for measuring the deflection power exerted by the ophthalmic lens on at least three light rays passing through the lens at three points that are not in alignment.

4. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, in which the measurement means are of the type proceeding by deflectometry.

5. (previously presented) A device according to claim 4, in which the deflectometry measurement means include at least one beam separator located between the lens receiver means (121, 114) and the acquisition means (122, 125, C).

6. (previously presented) A device according to claim 5, in which the deflectometry measurement means include said acquisition means (122, 125, C).

7. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, in which the acquisition means include a projection screen (122) and an image acquisition system (C, 125) arranged to sense the image on said projection screen.

8. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, in which said receiver means, said lighting means, said acquisition means, and said measurement means are held stationary relative to one another.

9. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, having a single light path between said lighting means and said acquisition means.

10. (currently amended) A device according to claim [[4]] 5, in which said beam separator is a support (124) for at least one sign (124A, 124B) located between said receiver means and said acquisition means, and in which the geometrical correction relationship calculated by said electronic and computer system is a function of the deformed shadow of the sign (124A, 124B) perceived by the acquisition means (122, 125, C).

11. (previously presented) A device according to claim 10, in which the sign support (124) is activatable and deactivatable.

12. (previously presented) A device according to claim 11, in which said sign support is a transparent active screen suitable for selectively displaying said opaque sign.

13. (previously presented) A device according to claim 12, in which said transparent screen is a liquid crystal screen.

14. (currently amended) A device according to claim [[9]] 10, in which said sign support has a regular array of repeated patterns.

15. (previously presented) A device according to claim 14, in which said sign support comprises a Hartmann matrix.

16. (currently amended) A device according to claim [[9]] 10, in which said sign support includes a geometrical figure having a maximum outside dimension lying in the range 2 mm to 10 mm.

17. (previously presented) A device according to claim 16, in which the geometrical covers an area lying in the range 3 mm² to 80 mm².

18. (previously presented) A device according to claim 16, in which the geometrical figure is of a shape different from a

point or a cross, being suitable for being distinguished visually from a marking made on an ophthalmic lens.

19. (previously presented) A device according to claim 14, in which the geometrical figure is a polygon, preferably a triangle.

20. (previously presented) A device according to claim 14, in which the geometrical figure is a circle or an oval.

21. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, in which the measurement means are of the type operating by interferometry.

22. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, including means for placing a handling peg at a location that is determined by calculation on the front face of said ophthalmic lens.

23. (previously presented) A device according to claim 22, in which said means for placing the handling peg are automatic means.

24. (currently amended) A device according to claim [[21]]
22, in which said means for placing the handling peg are manually
controlled manipulator means.

25. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1,
including display means controlled by the electronic and computer
system to display the at least partially corrected shape of the
shadow perceived by the acquisition means (122, 125, C).

26. (previously presented) A device according to claim 25,
in which the electronic and computer system controls the display
means for displaying the outline of the lens without applying the
geometrical correction calculation thereof.

27. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1,
in which the electronic and computer system includes image
recognition instructions suitable for recognizing the shadow of a
mark of the ophthalmic lens as perceived by the acquisition means
(122, 125, C) and for applying said geometrical correction
calculation thereto so as to deduce therefrom its corrected
position in a known frame of reference corresponding
substantially to the position that the shadow of said mark would
present in said frame of reference in the absence of the lens
possessing any deflection power.

28. (previously presented) A device according to claim 27, in which the image recognition instructions are suitable for recognizing the shadow of a center and/or axis mark of the ophthalmic lens as perceived by the acquisition means (122, 125, C).

29. (previously presented) A device according to claim 27, in which the image recognition instructions are suitable for recognizing the shadow of a reference mark for far vision or for near vision on the ophthalmic lens as perceived by the acquisition means (122, 125, C).

30. (original) A method of correcting acquisition of the shadow of an ophthalmic lens (103) presenting one or more marks (PC), the method comprising the following steps:

- illuminating the lens by a light beam;
- measuring the optical deflection power exerted by the ophthalmic lens on at least one incident light ray of said beam; and
- from the measured deflection power, deducing by calculation a corrected shape for at least a portion of the shadow of said ophthalmic lens as illuminated by said light beam.

31. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, in which said corrected shape corresponds substantially to the

shape that the shadow of said lens would present if said lens did not possess any deflection power.

32. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, in which a measurement is made of the deflection power exerted by the ophthalmic lens on at least three distinct light rays passing through the lens at three points that are not in alignment.

33. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, in which, in order to measure the deflection power of the ophthalmic lens, use is made of deflectometer means.

34. (previously presented) A method according to claim 33, in which, in order to measure the deflection power of the ophthalmic lens, the ophthalmic lens is illuminated and the shadow of the lens is sensed on acquisition means (122, 125, C), a beam separator being disposed between said acquisition means and the lens.

35. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, in which, in order to measure the deflection power of the ophthalmic lens, use is made of interferometer means.

36. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, in which, for an ophthalmic lens of the multifocal type, the

geometrical correction is applied to at least one reference mark for near vision or for far vision of the multifocal ophthalmic lens in order to obtain a corrected position for said mark.

37. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, in which the geometrical correction is applied to the shadow of at least one center and/or axis mark of the ophthalmic lens in order to obtain a corrected position for said shadow.

38. (previously presented) A method according to claim 37, in which, a virtual image (200) representative of the outline desired after the lens has been cut to shape is displayed on a display screen (105), and the position of said outline image is identified relative to the corrected position for the shadow of the centering mark on the lens.

39. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, including a step of displaying the corrected shape of the shadow on the lens on a display screen (105).

40. (previously presented) A method according to claim 39, in which, during said display step, the shadow of the outline of the lens is displayed on a display screen (105) without applying the geometrical correction calculation thereto.

41. (previously presented) A method according to claim 30, including a step of recognizing the shadow of a mark on the ophthalmic lens and a step of applying the geometrical correction calculation to said mark shadow so as to deduce therefrom its corrected position in a known frame of reference, said corrected position corresponding substantially to the position that the shadow of said mark would present in said frame of reference in the absence of the lens having any deflection power.

42. (previously presented) A method according to claim 41, applied to automatically centering the lens, in which the recognized shadow is that of a center and/or axis mark of the ophthalmic lens.